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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT & TRADEMARK OFFICE**

IN RE APPLICATION OF :  
KAZUYUKI TAKAHASHI : EXAMINER: MORILLO, JANELL  
COMBS  
SERIAL NO: 10/540,572 :  
FILED: JUNE 24, 2005 : GROUP ART UNIT: 1793  
FOR: ALUMINUM PIPE AND PROCESS :  
FOR PRODUCING SAME

**RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT**

COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS  
ALEXANDRIA, VIRGINIA 22313

SIR:

In response to the Restriction Requirement stated in the Official Action dated January 11, 2008, Applicants elect Group I, Claims 1-4 drawn to aluminum alloy pipe.

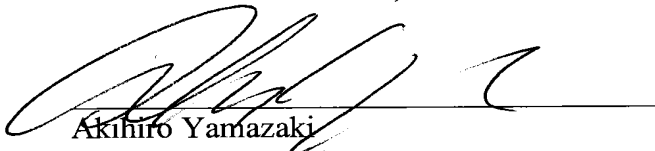
Therefore, it is respectfully requested that a full examination on the merits of Claims 1-4 be conducted.

Respectfully submitted,

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